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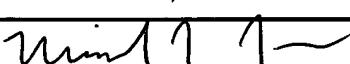
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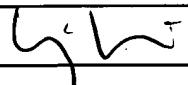
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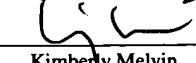
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### AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed September 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page two (2) of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page six (6) of this paper.